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                                        AN ACT
    4 PROVIDING FOR THE INAPPLICABILITY OF PROVISIONS REGULATING
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         LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS TO AUCTIONEERS
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          UNDER SPECIFIED CIRCUMSTANCES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.
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   8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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         Section 1. Section 543B.7, subsection 5, Code 2003, is
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  11 amended to read as follows:
        5. The acts of an auctioneer in conducting a public sale
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  13 or auction. The auctioneer's role must be limited to
  14 establishing the time, place, and method of an auction;
1 15 advertising the auction including a brief description of the
1 16 property for auction and the time and place for the auction:
1 17 and crying the property at the auction. The auctioneer shall 1 18 provide in any advertising the name and address of the real
  19 estate broker or attorney who is providing brokerage services
1 20 for the transaction and who is also responsible for closing
1 21 the sale of the property; and crying the property at the
      auction. The real estate broker or attorney providing
  23 brokerage services and closing services shall be present at 24 the time of the auction and if found to be in violation of 25 this subsection shall be subject to a civil penalty of two
  26 thousand five hundred dollars. If the auctioneer closes or 27 attempts to close the sale of the property or otherwise
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  28 engages in acts defined in sections 543B.3 and 543B.6, then
1 29 the requirements of this chapter do apply to the auctioneer.
  30 If an investigation pursuant to this chapter reveals that an
      auctioneer has violated this subsection or has assumed to act
   32 in the capacity of a real estate broker or real estate
  33 salesperson, the real estate commission may issue a cease and 34 desist order, and shall issue a warning letter notifying the 35 auctioneer of the violation for the first offense, and impose
   1 a penalty of up to the greater of ten thousand dollars or ten
    2 percent of the real estate sales price for each subsequent
    3 violation.
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                                           Speaker of the House
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          I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
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  16 is known as House File 2373, Eightieth General Assembly.
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